during the 2005-06 is estimated to be around 5.20 MMT. Besides, the first commercial production from Sakhalin-I is expected to commence this year, although it is difficult to estimate the precise quantity that will thus become available.

Violation of marketing discipline agreement

t196. SHRI NAND KISHORE YADAV: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases of violation of Marketing Discipline Guidance and Distributorship Agreement registered during the last three years;

(b) the number of cases out of the same in which there has been conviction; and

(c) the action taken and the form in which it has been taken against the accused in conviction?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) During the last three years, Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have reported the following number of irregularities/malpractices against their LPG distributors:—

Year	Number of irregularities/ malpractices against LPG distributors
2002-03	355
2003-04	324
2004-05	842

(b) and (c) OMCs have taken action against the erring distributors for established malpractices under the provisions of the Marketing Discipline Guidelines/Distributorship Agreements. As regards the issue of conviction of erring distributors, this is dealt with by the judicial authorities if such distributors are booked under the relevant Acts. Conviction is not provided for under the Marketing Discipline Guidelines/Distributorship Agreements.

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